



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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23 MARCH 2025 – THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - Psalter Week 23

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged "to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass".

Saturday 22	<i>Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent</i>
5.30pm	Mass
Sunday 23	<i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>
10.00am	Recently Dec'd of Galanos & their families
Monday 24	<i>Lent Feria</i>
9.30am	Mass
Tuesday 25	<i>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</i>
<u>9.30am</u>	<i>Mass</i>
Wednesday 26	<i>Lent Feria</i>
6.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration
7.00pm	Sr. Mary Thomas
Thursday 27	<i>Lent Feria</i>
9.30am	Mass at School (Yr 4)
11.30am	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
<u>12.00noon</u>	Frank McDonagh RIP
Friday 28	<i>Lent Feria</i>
9.30am	Mass
7.00pm	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Saturday 29	<i>Lent Feria</i>
5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>
	Mass
Sunday 30	<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)</i>
10.00am	Canon Peter Taylor RIP (Birthday)

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 6pm – 7pm, Evening Prayer at 6.30pm
Confession: Saturday 4.45pm – 5.25pm
Rosary: Monday - 9.10am. Divine Mercy Chaplet: Thursdays 9.10am
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for March – For Families in crisis: Let us pray that broken families may discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

Sick: Please pray for Fr. Michael White, Janet Pittam, Nathan Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

RIP: Please pray for Fr Dominic Innamorati scj, Deacon Patrick Flanagan, Victor Goodwin, Olive Belcher and all those recently deceased, all the faithful departed and those whose anniversaries occur around this time. May they rest in peace.

Sanctuary Lamp: The sanctuary lamp is burning this week for Mary & Peter Diggins RIP. Let us pray for the repose of their souls.

Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 26th April 2025 at £4.00 per week.

CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection: You gave £417.29 Thank you very much for your generous contributions to CAFOD, and being a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities experiencing the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage - Register Now: Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2025? Are you engaged to be married this year? Or would you simply like to give thanks to God for your marriage, and ask for His ongoing blessings? If so, we would like to invite you to attend this year's Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage. To be held on Saturday 3 May, 12noon, at St Chad's Cathedral. Celebrated by Bishop Richard Walker. Please register by Sunday 13 April at: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/event/thanksgivingmass-for-marriage

Praying for Pope Francis: As the Holy Father remains in hospital, we keep him close in prayer.

*Almighty and Eternal God,
you are the everlasting health of
those who believe in you.*

*Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis
for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Our Lady of Lourdes, Health of the Sick, pray for him.

LIFE TO THE FULL – Bringing the Bible Alive: A five session DVD course for parishes, will take place on Mondays, March 24, 31 & April 7 at 7.30pm. We hope this will be a means for understanding of the Scriptures better and deepening our personal faith. All are welcome.

Midday Mass on Thursday: On Thursdays during Lent, the daily Mass will be at 12.00noon. Hope parishioners will find it helpful and will be willing e to take part in good number! Stations of the Cross before Mass at about 11.30am and refreshments after this Mass could be organized. Volunteers welcome! Depending on the support this Mass receives, this could be continued beyond Easter!

Lenten Lunches will be on Tuesdays March 25, April 1 & 8, in our Parish Hall between 12.30pm and 2.00pm. All proceeds go to Parish funds and Myton Hospice. All are welcome!

Sacrament of Reconciliation / Confessions for Lent 2025: As in the recent past, parishioners are reminded and highly recommended to avail the opportunity of Sacramental Confession at St. Peter's Church, Leamington Spa on **Thursday 3rd April between 11.00am and 6.00pm**. Priests from our part of the deanery will take turns to hear confessions. All are welcome.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025: In addition to the recent Deanery Pilgrimage to Littlemore, a mini coach has been organized from our parish to go to Hednesford on Sunday 6th July (two seats are still available, at £10.00 per seat).

The QR code for today's readings: As we are using the new translations of the Readings at Mass (English Standard Version or ESV), we can get the new version of the Readings using the following QR code. Simply scan it on your smart phone to get them.



Offertory Collections – 16.02 2025

Non-Gift Aided: £117.64 CAFOD: £417.29 Candles: £18.40
Piety: £25.00 Refreshments: £11.50 Lenten Lunches: £102.00

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Mass Attendance: Saturday: 36 Sunday 60 Total: 101 Stations of the Cross: 8

National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham – date for one-off second collection: In response to the request from the Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, the Bishop's Conference Standing Committee agreed as a one-off collection in the parishes of England to raise additional funds for the Shrine in this Jubilee Year on the weekend of 22/ 23 March 2025. Your generous response will be much appreciated.

Afternoon Tea: Southam St. James Church invites you for an Afternoon Tea with entertainment by the Bianco Barbershop quartet on Sunday 6th April from 3pm to 5pm in aid of the Church Restoration Fund. Tickets £10 (children £5) from St. James Church Office 01926-812413 / 07768090178. Special dietary requirements by request.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers' Rota: We are very grateful to our parishioners who organized the Rota for the Readers & Eucharistic Minister till now. As we need more readers the Rota needs updating. Those who are able and are willing, please help. Until the new Rota is ready, the current one will be followed.

London Marathan: Deacon Lionel Pelloquin from Bilton & Hillmorton parishes in Rugby, is running the 2025 London Marathan to raise funds for the British Red Cross and would be very grateful for your generous support. Please visit:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/lionel-pelloquin-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

CONCERT AT ST PETER'S: Sunday 6 April 4.30pm Warwickshire Singers joined by a French choir La Villanelle de Sceaux, featuring Dubois' Messe de Breve and more. Proceeds to parish funds. See notice board for more info.